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Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar.—"May I ask with reference to answers to clauses (a) and (b) if Government are making any provision for total prohibition in any other area?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"The budget on the receipt side has provided for much less revenue than during the preceding years."

Removal of a toddy shop in Calicut municipality.

* 226 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Excise Licensing Board, Calicut, at one of its meetings adopted a resolution unanimously to shift toddy shop No. 8 in Calicut municipality;

(b) whether the shop remains still in the same place in spite of the resolution of the Board;

(c) whether the Government have vetoed the resolution of the Board; and

(d) whether he will be pleased to place on the table of the House the orders of the Government together with the recommendations of the Commissioner of Excise on the subject?

A.—(a) to (d) The Government have called for a report.

Powers of Excise Licensing Boards and Advisory Committees.

* 227 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) the number of municipalities and Revenue divisions for which the Excise Licensing Boards and the Excise Advisory Committees respectively have been created since the original scheme creating these bodies for certain areas was sanctioned;

(b) whether the powers of these bodies still remain the same as those mentioned in the original scheme; and

(c) what the orders of the Government are either extending or limiting the powers of these bodies?

A.—(a) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to question No. 1311, given at the Legislative Council Meeting held on 28th January 1930. Since then, Excise Advisory Committees have been constituted for the Revenue Divisional areas of Amalapuram and Chidambaram in the East Godavari and South Arcot districts, respectively.

(b) No.

(c) The Government have not limited the powers of these bodies. They have extended them in certain directions in the notifications mentioned below:—

(i) Government Notification No. 153, dated 27th April 1929, published at page 815 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 7th May 1929;

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(ii) Notification of the Commissioner of Excise, No 11, dated 16th August 1929, published at page 1328 of Part II of the *Fort St George Gazette*, dated 27th August 1929; and

(iii) Government Notification No. 11, dated 7th January 1930, published at page 48 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 14th January 1930.

Industries

Building for Industrial School, Bellary.

*228 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether the students and the staff of the Industrial School, Bellary, are put to serious inconveniences for lack of sufficient accommodation in their present rented quarters; and

(b) what has become of the proposal to acquire one of the military buildings in the fort for the school and the stage it has reached at present?

A.—(a) The Government are not aware that they are.

(b) The military buildings were taken over by the Industries Department on the 13th November 1930. The Industrial School will be moved into these buildings as soon as the requisite repairs and alterations have been carried out.

Fisheries

Issue price of salt supplied to fish-curers.

*229-A Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether the Government have considered the recommendations of the Fisheries Committee in regard to the reduction of the issue price of salt to fish-curers and passed any orders in the matter?

A.—The consideration of the question of reducing the issue price of salt has had to be postponed to 1932–33 owing to present financial conditions.

Training for Sub-Inspectors in charge of fish-curing yards.

*229-B Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether any qualifications are prescribed under the rules for the Subordinate Fisheries Service for the Sub-Inspectors in charge of fishcuring yards;

(b) whether petty yard officers are eligible for promotion as Sub-Inspectors even though they do not possess the minimum educational qualifications prescribed for Public Service; and

(c) whether it is a fact that while training in fish-curing yards is prescribed as a qualification for petty yard officers, no such qualification is prescribed for Sub-Inspectors?